

Activity with Weka

Week - 8

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Assignment Activity Objective: KNN Model Evaluation

Practical Assignment

Task: Using the diabetes.arff dataset, apply KNN with different values of k ($k=1$, $k=3$, $k=5$). Compare the accuracy, precision, and recall for each value of k . Discuss the effect of changing k on the model's performance.

Weka GUI Chooser

Program Visualization Tools Help

Applications

- Explorer
- Experimenter
- KnowledgeFlow
- Workbench
- Simple CLI

Weka Explorer

Preprocess Classify Cluster Associate Select attributes Visualize

Open file... Open URL... Open DB... Generate... Undo Edit... Save...

Filter

Choose: **None** Apply Stop

Current relation

Relation: pima_diabetes

Instances: 768

Attributes: 9 Sum of weights: 768

Attributes

All None Invert Pattern

No.	Name
1	<input type="checkbox"/> preg
2	<input type="checkbox"/> plas
3	<input type="checkbox"/> pres
4	<input type="checkbox"/> skin
5	<input type="checkbox"/> insu
6	<input type="checkbox"/> mass
7	<input type="checkbox"/> pedi
8	<input type="checkbox"/> age
9	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> class

Remove

Selected attribute

Name: class

Missing: 0 (0%)

Distinct: 2

Type: Nominal

Unique: 0 (0%)

No.	Label	Count	Weight
1	tested_negative	500	500
2	tested_positive	268	268

Class: class (Nom) Visualize All

500

268

Status OK

Microsoft Store

Log

x 0

K = 1

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IB1 instance-based classifier
using 1 nearest neighbour(s) for classification

Time taken to build model: 0 seconds

=== Stratified cross-validation ===
=== Summary ===

Correctly Classified Instances      539          70.1823 %
Incorrectly Classified Instances    229          29.8177 %
Kappa statistic                    0.3304
Mean absolute error                 0.2988
Root mean squared error             0.5453
Relative absolute error             65.7327 %
Root relative squared error         114.3977 %
Total Number of Instances          768

=== Detailed Accuracy By Class ===
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	TP Rate	FP Rate	Precision	Recall	F-Measure	MCC	ROC Area	PRC Area	Class
	0.794	0.470	0.759	0.794	0.776	0.331	0.650	0.732	tested_negative
	0.530	0.206	0.580	0.530	0.554	0.331	0.650	0.469	tested_positive
Weighted Avg.	0.702	0.378	0.696	0.702	0.698	0.331	0.650	0.640	

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=== Confusion Matrix ===
  a  b  <-- classified as
397 103 | a = tested_negative
126 142 | b = tested_positive
```

K = 3

```
IB1 instance-based classifier
using 3 nearest neighbour(s) for classification

Time taken to build model: 0 seconds

=== Stratified cross-validation ===
=== Summary ===

Correctly Classified Instances      558          72.6563 %
Incorrectly Classified Instances    210          27.3438 %
Kappa statistic                    0.3822
Mean absolute error                 0.3092
Root mean squared error             0.4525
Relative absolute error             68.0324 %
Root relative squared error         94.9365 %
Total Number of Instances          768

=== Detailed Accuracy By Class ===
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	TP Rate	FP Rate	Precision	Recall	F-Measure	MCC	ROC Area	PRC Area	Class
	0.820	0.448	0.774	0.820	0.796	0.384	0.742	0.804	tested_negative
	0.552	0.180	0.622	0.552	0.585	0.384	0.742	0.569	tested_positive
Weighted Avg.	0.727	0.354	0.721	0.727	0.722	0.384	0.742	0.722	

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=== Confusion Matrix ===
  a  b  <-- classified as
410  90 | a = tested_negative
120 148 | b = tested_positive
```

K = 5

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IB1 instance-based classifier
using 5 nearest neighbour(s) for classification
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Time taken to build model: 0 seconds
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=== Stratified cross-validation ===
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=== Summary ===
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Correctly Classified Instances      562           73.1771 %
Incorrectly Classified Instances    206           26.8229 %
Kappa statistic                    0.3874
Mean absolute error                 0.3165
Root mean squared error             0.4318
Relative absolute error             69.6387 %
Root relative squared error         90.5982 %
Total Number of Instances          768
```

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=== Detailed Accuracy By Class ===
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	TP Rate	FP Rate	Precision	Recall	F-Measure	MCC	ROC Area	PRC Area	Class
	0.836	0.463	0.771	0.836	0.802	0.390	0.766	0.828	tested_negative
	0.537	0.164	0.637	0.537	0.583	0.390	0.766	0.619	tested_positive
Weighted Avg.	0.732	0.358	0.724	0.732	0.726	0.390	0.766	0.755	

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=== Confusion Matrix ===
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  a   b  <-- classified as
418  82 |  a = tested_negative
124 144 |  b = tested_positive
```

Comparison table

K Valvue	Accuracy (%)	Precision	Recall
K = 1	70.18	0.696	0.702
K = 3	72.65	0.721	0.727
K = 5	73.17	0.724	0.732

Analysis and Discussion

The data shows how the hyperparameter **k** affects the performance of the **K-Nearest Neighbors (KNN)** model.

1. Trend from **k=1** to **k=5**

As **k** increases from 1 to 5, all performance metrics improve:

- Accuracy increases from 70.18% (**k=1**) → 73.17% (**k=5**) → higher at **k=5**
- Precision and Recall also rise steadily with larger **k** values.

This happens because a very small **k** (like 1) makes the model too sensitive to noise and outliers (overfitting). Increasing **k** smooths the decision boundary, leading to more stable and reliable predictions.

2. Effect of Changing **k**

- **k=1**: Low bias, high variance — fits the training data too closely and reacts strongly to noise.
- **k=3**: More balanced — better generalization and improved accuracy.
- **k=5**: High bias, low variance — the model is more generalized and less affected by random noise, giving the best performance here.

Conclusion

For this diabetes dataset, **k=5** provides the best overall results across accuracy, precision, and recall, indicating that the model generalizes better with a moderate neighborhood size.

It offers a strong balance between fitting the data well and making it the most suitable choice among **k=1**, **3**, and **5**.